# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:242
ANSWERED ON:06.12.2001
EXPLORATION OF OIL AND GAS RESERVES IN THE COUNTRY
BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB

**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited has prepared a master plan to explore gas and oil reserves in the country;

(b) if so, the names of the States where such exploration has been planned; and

(c) the total allocations made for this purpose?

## Answer

Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas (Shri Ram Naik)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 242 for answer on 6.12.2001 regarding Exploration of Oil and Gas Reserves in the Country

(a) to (c): Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) proposes an expenditure of around Rs. 8,650 crores, which includes approx. Rs. 4,685 crores for the offshore areas, for exploration of hydrocarbons in the country for the five year period, 2002-07. During the aforesaid period, ONGC envisages exploration of oil and gas in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Madhya Pradesh, Meghalaya, Maharashtra, Nagaland, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.